# LIFE ONLY PRODUCER INDIANA EXAMINATION CONTENT OUTLINE \*80 QUESTIONS TOTAL

# \*\*TIME LIMIT 1 hour 20 minutes REVISED 6/28/2011

#### VII. INSURANCE BASICS

(10 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# A. The Very Basics

(1 QUESTION)

- 1. What is insurance
  - 2. Understanding Risk
  - 3. The Law of Large Numbers
  - 4. Types of insurance companies

Lloyd's of London

Stock companies

Mutual companies

Fraternals

5. Reinsurance

#### **B.** Contract Law

(6 QUESTIONS)

- 25. What is a contract
- 26. The five essential parts of a contract

Offer

Acceptance

Consideration

Legal capacity

Legal purpose

27. Insurance Specifics

Who makes the offer

Who accepts the offer

What is each party's consideration

28. Defining truth

Warranties

Representations

**Misrepresentations** 

Concealment

Material to the risk

Consequences of material misrepresentation on the application

- 29. Insurable Interest
- 30. Consent
- 31. When does coverage start

If no Interim Insuring Agreement is used

If an Interim Insuring Agreement is used

- Conditional Receipts
- o Collecting the initial premium

<sup>\*</sup>Additional non-scored trial questions may be added to exam

<sup>\*\*</sup>Extra time will be allotted to examinations with additional non-scored trial questions

#### Explaining the Conditional Receipt

#### 32. Policy delivery

Agent's responsibilities

Statement of Continued Good Health

# 33. Unique characteristics of insurance contracts

Conditional

Valued, Reimbursement & Service contracts

Unilateral

Adhesion

Aleatory

#### 34. Other contact terms

Waiver

Fraud

# 35. Insurance law & the Agent/Producer

The Agent/Producer

The Agency Agreement/ Contract

The Agent's extending the insurance company's liability

Agent's knowledge

Agent vs. Broker

# 36. Powers of Agency

Expressed authority Implied authority Apparent authority

#### C. Under vriting Basics

(3 QUESTIONS)

- 1. What is underwriting
- 2. Why is underwriting necessary
- 3. Relationship between risk and premiums charged
- 4. Sources of insurability information

Application

- Making changes on the application
- o Consequence of an incomplete application (blanks)
- o Required signatures on the application

Agent/Producer's reports

Medical information & medical exams

The Medical Information Bureau (MIB) and disclosures

Attending Physician's reports

Credit reports

o Fair Credit Reporting Act & mandatory disclosures

Inspection reports

# 5. Selection & Classification Factors

Age

Gender (sex) Tobacco

usage Occupation

Avocation, etc.

#### 6. AIDS, HIV & Underwriting

7. Classification of Risks & Effects on premiums charged

Preferred

Standard

Substandard

Declined

8. Gross Premium factors

Risk (Mortality and Morbidity)

Interest

Expense

- 9. Net Premium
- 10. Premium Modes

**Effect on Premiums** 

#### VIII. TYPES OF LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES

(16 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

(2-3 QUESTIONS)

#### A. Term Life Insurance

- 1. Level Term
- 2. Decreasing Term
- 3. Increasing Term
- 4. Renewable Term
- 5. Convertible Term
- 6. Level Premium Term
- 7. Maturity
- 8. Taxation

#### **B.** Whole Life Insurance

(3-4 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Permanent Protection
- 2. Cash value

Guaranteed growth of Cash Value

**Taxation** 

Policy loans and interest charged

- 3. Level premium payments
- 4. Methods of Premium Payment

Single Premium

Limited-Pay

Continuous Premium/Straight Life

- 5. Maturity
- 6. Taxation

# C. Adjustable Life Insurance

(0-1 QUESTION)

1. Factors that can be adjusted

Amount of death protection

Amount of premium

Type of plan (Term versus Whole Life)

2. Advantages and Disadvantages

# D. Variable Whole Life Insurance (0-1 QUESTION) 1. A securities version of Whole Life insurance

- 2. The Separate Investment Account (as opposed to the General Account)
- 3. Additional licensing is required to sell securities products

National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD)

#### E. Universal Life Insurance

(3-4 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Permanent Protection
- 2. Policy design and structure
- 3. Annual management fees
- 4. Death benefit options
- 5. Flexible premium options
- 6. Cash accumulation options

Cash values growth on an interest sensitive basis

Tax deferred growth

Partial surrenders

Tax consequences of partial surrenders

Policy loans

- 7. Waiver of Premium vs. Waiver of Cost of Insurance
- 8. Taxation

#### F. Variable Universal Life Insurance

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 3. A securities version of Universal Life insurance
- 4. Special securities licensing requirements (NASD)

#### **G.** Interest Sensitive Whole Life Insurance

(0-1 QUESTION)

## **H.** Equity Indexed Life Insurance

(1 QUESTION)

#### I. Joint Life Insurance

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 1. Number of Insureds
- 2. First to die

#### J. Survivorship Life Insurance

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 1. Number of Insureds
- 2. Last to die

# K. Family (Protection) Policy

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 1. Policy structure
- 2. Who are the insureds
- 3. Newborns and adopted children
- 4. Premium factors

#### L. Other Life Insurance Policy Types

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 1. Modified Life
- 2. Graded Premium Whole Life
- 3. Re-Entry Term
- 4. Juvenile Life
- 5. Credit Life

#### M. Modified Endowment Contracts (MEC)

(1 QUESTION)

- 1. IRS Definition/ Seven-Pay test
- 2. Taxation
- 3. 10% Penalty for early withdrawal
- 4. Age 59 1/2 Rule

#### IX. ANNUITY CONTRACTS

(7 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

- G. Concept of an Annuity
- H. The Accumulation (pay-in) Period vs. the Annuity (pay-out/liquidation) Period
- I. The Pay-In Period
  - 8. Who controls policy?
  - 9. Premium payment options
  - 10. Cash value grows tax deferred
  - 11. Penalty for contract surrender prior to age 59 ½

**Exceptions** 

- 12. May be surrender charges for early withdrawals
- 13. Tax consequences of policy surrender
- 14. Consequences of policyowner death during the pay-in period

**Taxation** 

# J. The Pay-Out Period

- 1. Age 59 1/2 Rule
- 2. Choices

Take the Money

Annuity Certain

Life Annuity

3. Annuity Certain

Fixed Period

**Fixed Amount** 

4. Life Annuity

Who controls policy?

Policyowner becomes the Annuitant

Annuitant(s) will receive a life income

Annuitant can name a beneficiary should there be any installment payments made after the death of the Annuitant.

**Exclusion Ratio** 

Pay out choices include:

- o Straight Life (or Life Only) Annuity
- o Life Annuity with Period Certain
- o Refund Life Annuity
- o Joint and Survivor Life Annuity

#### K. Types of Annuities

- 4. Fixed Dollar (Conventional) Annuity-General Account
- 5. Variable Annuity-Separate Account-NASD license required
- 6. Equity Indexed Annuity

#### L. Other Annuity Terms

- 3. Immediate vs. Deferred Annuity
- 4. Single Premium vs. Level Premium vs. Flexible Premium payment plans

#### X. LIFE INSURANCE POLICY PROVISIONS

(8 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. Required Provisions

(5-6 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Entire Contract/ Changes Clause
- 2. Insuring Clause
- 3. Premium Payment Clause
- 4. Incontestable Clause
- 5. Misstatement of Age and Sex Clause
- 6. Grace Period Clause
- 7. Reinstatement Clause
- 8. Ownership Clause
- 9. Assignment Clause
- 10. Loan Values and Automatic Premium Loan (APL) Provision
- 11. Time Limit on Lawsuits
- 12. Methods of Settlement
- 13. The Practice of Back-Dating
- 14. Application of State Law
- 15. Free Look Provision

#### **B.** Discretionary Provisions (Exclusions)

(0-1 QUESTION)

- 1. Suicide Clause
- 2. Hazardous Occupation (or Hobby/Avocation) Clause

# C. Beneficiary Designations

(2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Policyowner can name and change beneficiary designations
- 2. Primary and Contingent beneficiaries
- 3. Revocable and Irrevocable designations
- 4. The Estate as beneficiary
- 5. A Trust as beneficiary
- 6. Minors (children) as beneficiaries
- 7. Uniform Simultaneous Death Act

**Common Disaster Provision** 

8. Naming Beneficiaries

Per capita

Per stirpes

9. Spendthrift Clause

## XI. LIFE INSURANCE POLICY OPTIONS

#### (7 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### A. Dividend Options

(1-2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. What are Policy Dividends
- 2. Taxation
- 3. Options:

Cash

Reduction of Premium Accumulate at Interest Paid-Up Additions One Year Term Paid-Up Life

# **B.** Nonforfeiture Options

(2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Purpose
- 2. Options:

Cash

Reduced Paid-Up insurance Extended Term insurance

3. Reinstatement

## **C.** Settlement Options

(1-2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Maturity
- 2. Options:

Cash

Interest

Fixed Period (Annuity Certain)
Fixed Amount (Annuity Certain)

Life Income (Life Annuity)

- o Straight Life (or Life Only) Annuity
- Life Annuity with Period Certain
- o Refund Life Annuity
- o Joint and Survivor Life Annuity

#### **D.** Living Benefit Options

(1-2 QUESTIONS)

- 1. Accelerated Death Benefits
- 2. Viatical Settlements

#### VI. LIFE INSURANCE POLICY RIDERS

(4 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

- A. Multiple Indemnity/Accidental Death rider
- B. Guaranteed Insurability rider
- C. Cost of Living rider

- **D**. Waiver of Premium rider
- E. Payor Benefit rider
- F. Accelerated Death Benefit rider
- **G.** Automatic Premium Loan rider

#### VII. BUSINESS USES OF LIFE INSURANCE

(1 QUESTION TOTAL)

- A. Key Employee Life policies
- **B.** Buy and Sell Agreements
- C. Split Dollar plans

## VIII. QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLANS

(3 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

- A. Qualified versus Nonqualified plans
- **B**. Characteristics of qualified plans
- C. Tax treatment of qualified plans and age limitations (59 ½ & 70 ½)
- **D.** Penalty for premature withdrawals
  - 1. Exceptions
- **E.** Defined Contribution plans versus Defined Benefit plans
- **F.** Common types of Qualified Retirement plans
  - 1. 401 K plans
  - 2. 403 B Tax Sheltered Annuities (TSAs) for 501 C corporations
  - 3. Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs)
  - 4. Roth IRAs
  - 5. Keogh (HR-10) plans
  - 6. Simplified Employee Pension (SEPs) plans
- G. Plan Roll-Overs

#### IX. GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

#### (3 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

#### **G.** Group Insurance Concepts

## H. Eligible Groups

- 1. Single Employers
- 2. Labor Unions
- 3. Associations
- 4. Credit Unions
- 5. Creditors (Credit Life Insurance)
- 6. Multiple Employer Trusts (METs)
- 7. Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangements (MEWAs)

# I. The Group Contract

- 1. Master Contract
- 2. Individual Certificates of Insurance

#### J. Group Underwriting

- 1. Experience rating vs. Community rating
- 2. Reduced Adverse Selection
- 3. Group Risk Selection
- 4. Purpose of the Group
- 5. Eligible Members
- 6. No discrimination
- 7. Contributory vs. Non-Contributory
- 8. Turnover

#### K. Reduced Administrative Costs

## L. Life Conversion Privileges

# X. GOVERNMENT INSURANCE - SOCIAL SECURITY (1 QUESTION TOTAL)

- **A.** Social Security Retire Income Benefit
  - 1. Who is Eligible for income benefits
  - 2. Currently Insured vs. Fully Insured status
  - 3. Benefits based on Primary Insurance Amount (PIA)
  - 4. Blackout Period

# XI. STATE OF INDIANA GENERAL INSURANCE REGULATIONS

#### (12 QUESTIONS TOTAL)

# E. Department of Insurance

(3 QUESTIONS)

1. Insurance Commissioner

Appointment by Governor

Member of NAIC

Powers

**Duties** 

2. Admission of Insurance Companies

Certificate of Authority

Admitted versus Non-Admitted companies

Domestic, Foreign & Alien companies

3. Examination of Admitted Insurance Companies

Frequency of fiscal examinations

Waiving examinations of Foreign & Alien companies

6. Insurance Guaranty Associations

Purpose

Policy benefits that are guaranteed

#### **B.** Licensing Laws

(5 QUESTIONS)

13. Types of Insurance Licenses, Eligibility Requirements & Powers and Duties

Resident Producer

Nonresident Producer

**Temporary Producer** 

Consultant

**Limited Lines** 

- o Flight
- o Baggage
- o Title
- o Credit
- o Funeral Directors

#### 14. Who must be licensed

Solicit, negotiate or sell contracts of insurance

- 15. Producer qualifications and the licensing process
- 16. Insurance Company: Producer appointments and termination

#### 17. Duties of a Producer

License application process, examination, and fees for obtaining a license

Controlled Business

Acting as a Consultant

Fees and commissions

#### 18. Producer's License Maintenance

Producer notification requirements for change of business **or** residential address

License renewal process

Continuing Education requirements

Sircon license & C/E tracking system

Producer Responsibilities

## C. Producer/Company Compliance

(3 QUESTIONS)

- 7. Producer Licensing Law & Violations
- 8. Unfair Competition Law & Violations
- 9. Definitions

**Twisting** 

Rebating

Sharing commissions with an unlicensed person

Unfair discrimination

4. Complaint process

Time frame for hearings

5. Penalties/Disciplinary Actions

Penalty for violating Licensing law

Penalty for violating Unfair Competition Law

Penalty for violating Cease and Desist Orders

Criminal violations

#### D. Claims

(1 QUESTION)

- 5. When must claims be paid
- 6. Unfair Claim Settlement Practices

#### XII. LIFE REGULATIONS

# (8 TOTAL QUESTIONS)

#### A. Policies and Contracts

(4 QUESTIONS)

- 10. Policy Provisions
- 11. Underwriting Restrictions
- 12. Right to Examine (10 Day Free Look)
- 13. Payment of Claims
- 14. Interest on Loans
- 15. Interest on Death Benefits
- 16. AIDS & HIV
- 17. Accelerated Death Benefits
- 18. Viatical Settlements

## F. Marketing Practices

(3 QUESTIONS)

- 3. Advertising
- 4. Solicitation Purpose

Documentation

Buyer's Guide and Policy Summary

**Duties of Producers** 

3. Replacement

**Definition of Replacement** 

Purpose

Free Look

**Duties of Producers** 

**Duties of Companies** 

## G. Group Life

(1 QUESTION)

- 1. Eligible Groups
- 2. Conversion Rights to Individual Policy

**END**